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Select Miscellany.

AVENCED!

The old clock in the hall rang out five melodious chimes, as Cora Smith softly closed the kitchen door, and ran to her little bedroom for her blue scarf.

"Five o'clock," she said, as the last stroke died away; "He is wondering why I don't come, and I must make haste. Madge, little Madge, are you going with me to-night? I am all ready."

Little Madge, the twelve-year old sister, came flying through the hall.

"Auntie says you have forgotten to get the potatoes for breakfast, and we must prepare them before you go. Never mind if he does have to wait a little for you; you've waited for him many a time. Come quickly and I will help you."

So sweet-tempered Cora Smith untied the blue scarf, and tripped away to the forgotten task as merrily as her little sister, albeit her heart beat like an imprisoned bird's at the delay.

The west was all aflame with the autumn sunset ere the sisters closed the cottage door behind them, and ran down the garden path toward the stile where he was waiting—in other words, where hazel-eyed, sweet-faced Cora Smith's city lover was waiting for his lady-love, as she had many a night waited for him.

Almost every evening they met there at the stile—their "trysting-place," he said—just half-way between her home and his boarding-house. He had proposed it, and she was nothing loth to accede—it was so pretty and romantic.

Then, Auntie Smith was not at all pleased with this dark-eyed young stranger, and, though she had not forbidden him the house, both lovers knew she preferred "his room to his company." And so, always with dear Madge at her side, she daily tripped down the path through the leafy woods to the half-way "trysting place" where she met her handsome, dark-eyed lover, Neil Rowan. How her heart fluttered to-night as she thought of him! and the warm love-light deepened and darkened the soft brown eyes.

"Neil! Neil!" she said, almost unconsciously, aloud; and little Madge clasped her sister's hand closer, and looked up in her face.

"Do you love him so very much, sister Cora."

A swift, hot color came into the girl's cheeks, and then she paused, suddenly, holding the hands of little Madge in a fervent grasp.

"Love him! love him, Madge! better than all the world—better than my youth, my life—ay, sometimes I fear better than my hope of heaven! And I am to be his wife, little Madge, this good man's wife, when the beautiful spring comes. I shall leave you, and auntie, and uncle to be all his. But this is our secret, little sister, and only you can share it."

And then her hands relaxed their hold and drawing the light scarf over her shoulders she tripped silently along. They were almost there—nearing the edge of the wood, and the stile was but a step away. Another step forward, and then Madge held her sister back.

"Wait," she whispered; "I can see two men on the seat. We do not want to meet strangers there."

"No," she said, drawing back in the shadow of the wood; "it is Neil's friend, Willis Dean. We will wait until he goes, for I do not like to meet him."

Even as she spoke the figure arose, and the sound of his voice came on the twilight air distinct and clear.

"And what of this love affair, friend Neil? When is it to end, and how? Are you really in earnest, and do you mean to marry the girl?"

Cora Smith's hand closed upon the arm of Madge till she shrank in pain while they waited for the answer. Neil Rowan laughed softly.

"Marry her?" he repeated. "She is just the subject for a grand flirtation, and I assure you I have done the thing well. But for anything further—bah! I am going back to town to-morrow, and this is our last meeting; so be off, old fellow, for I expect her every moment."

Just for one moment Madge Smith's heart stood still in awful fear, for she thought Cora was dying. That white, ghastly face there in the twilight, that motionless figure, those tightly-locked hands, it surely was not the fair, sweet maiden of a moment before. But the spasm passed, and without a word, she arose and glided noiselessly away and Madge followed her in silence.

Neil Rowan waited until the light had all died out of the West, and the dew lay like summer rain on the grass at his feet. His cigar was smoked down to ashes, and his lazy reverie was broken by the cry of the whip-poor-will.

"She isn't coming to-night," he said, mentally, "that's certain. The scheming auntie up yonder managed to prevent it this time. Oh, well, it saved a scene. I will drop a loving farewell note and so it ends—a summer's amusement. Ha, hum!" and Neil Rowan strolled homeward, singing half unconsciously, "I won't have her, I know—I won't have her, I know—I don't care a straw who has her, I know."

The farewell note came to Cora Smith the following night, but the fever-bright eyes never rested on the creamy page, for ere the insane light gave place to reason again, death sealed the white eye-lids. To such natures as this girl's, love *is* life; and the rude blow that woke her from the one bright dream of youth, snapped the slender cord that bound her frail spirit to earth, and out of the depths of her awful grief, the kindly hand of death led her to the mountain-top where is built the city of the New Jerusalem.

Day by day, week by week, month by month, so sped the time until eight years were counted. Eight times the grass had grown over the little grave in the lonely country churchyard, and again the October winds rustled the scarlet leaves over the narrow mound.

Wonderful changes had the eight years brought. Side by side with this grave were two brothers, and the headstones bore the names of good aunt and uncle Smith. They had rested there six years; and every summer beautiful Madge Smith came down from her city mansion and lingered in the old home a week, trimming the grasses and planting bright flowers on the mounds. Bright, beautiful Madge Smith, the heiress of all uncle Smith's hidden wealth, the wealth he guarded so well during that toil-worn, weary life.

Three years before, Madge left school, to reign queen of society. Beautiful, strangely beautiful, with that cold, white, high-bred face, those wide, fathomless, glittering, amber eyes, a figure matchless in symmetry and grace, accomplished, polished and the heiress of great wealth, no wonder that lovers, old and young, knelt at Madge Smith's shrine. Strange wonder, the world said that all were scorned—not gently with words of pity and apology, but spurned from her very feet with scornful lips and blazing eyes.

Ay, Madge Smith was an enigma and mystery to all who knew her. No warmer friend, no brighter companion did those of her own sex seek for. But never were those lips seen to smile, or those wonderful eyes to soften, in response to any lover's; no glacier was more frigid than she to all men. All, did I say? Nay, Dame Rumor had plenty of gossip just now. Only a few weeks since a new rival appeared on the scene of action. Neil Rowan, a merchant and millionaire, entered the list of Madge Smith's adorers—not for her wealth, surely, Madame Grundy acknowledged, graciously. He had enough of his own. It was genuine love that this *blase* man of society felt for beautiful Madge. And a wonderful change had come over the fair lady since his appearance. Bright before, she was brilliant now—sparkling, witty, bewildering; and the world looked on in amaze to see the flush stain her white cheek, and the bright smile that lighted her eyes at his approach.

And did he recognize her, you are wondering? Nay, how should he? Sweet Cora Smith, and the summer in the country, were forgotten things with this man. He had broken half-a-dozen silly hearts since then, and left them all with Time, the great healer. He had flirted with society's queens and village maidens innumerable, and left the past all behind him. And now he came and laid the first pure, real love of his lifetime at this woman's feet. So he told her, one autumn night, in the grand parlor of her stately home.

How her hands trembled and her eyes shone as she listened! "Wait," she said, "I will give my answer to-morrow night; it is my birth night, and I shall give an entertainment. You will come; I will see you then. Be in the library at ten, and you shall hear my answer."

And the night came, and he was there waiting. He paced the room impatiently. Would she ever come, this girl that was dearer than his life? Ay, she was life to him. The world had seemed stale, flavorless, until he met her, the woman who, alone of all her sex had ever stirred the slumbering passions of his heart. How bright the future seemed! He was so sure of her answer; had not she given it in all but words?

"My beautiful, my queen!" he said softly. And just then he heard the light ripple of a woman's laugh in the adjoining room. Her laugh; he knew it among a thousand; and her voice; she was speaking loud and clear.

"There, Guardie; you must let me go now. Mr. Rowan is waiting for me in the library. You know I am to give him my answer-to-night."

And the guardian's voice, speaking tenderly, said:

"And that answer, I can guess it, little Madge. You are going to marry this man and leave us all."

She laughed softly.

"Marry him? No, indeed, sir! He is just the subject for a grand flirtation, and I assure you I have acted my part well; but for anything further—bah! But he is expecting me, so by-by till I come again," and she tripped lightly through the half-open door, ere the amazed guardian could utter a syllable.

A white, ghastly, shivering figure stood by the library window.

"For God's sake, Madge Smith, tell me you were jesting!" he cried, as brilliantly, glowingly beautiful, she glided into the room.

"Not so, my friend," she answered lightly, "I spoke the truth. If you overheard my words I need not repeat them. It is my answer."

"But you gave me hope; you led me on; you have given me reason to think you loved me," he cried, passionately. "It is the one love of my life! I have centered every hope and thought in you, Madge Smith, and for my sake, for God's sake do not wreck my life!"

She was very pale now, and her eyes were black and glistening.

"Neil Rowan," she said, slowly, "I have prayed for this hour for eight years, but never in my wildest dreams did I think my prayer would be so fully answered. When I saw the hue of death, the white agony on my only sister's cheek—when I saw her writhe in speechless agony at the words she heard eight years ago to-night, I vowed to avenge her, God being my helper. Again when I heard the thud of the earth upon her coffin, I vowed that vow. God has brought it about even sooner, more complete, than I had thought. If I have given you an hour of such agony as she endured, I am content. If you could live and suffer it for countless ages, I should be better contented. My work is ended. Good night!"

Two hours afterward, the sharp report of a pistol rang with startling distinctness through the crowded drawing-room. All sprang to their feet, save Madge Smith. Perhaps her cheek paled a little—I cannot tell; but the light of her eye never changed, her smiling lips never relaxed, as she gazed upon the blood-stained corpse in the library. Neil Rowan had taken his own life, and Cora Smith was avenged.

Royal Marriage in Egypt.

The *fete* given by the Viceroy of Egypt on the occasion of the marriage of his daughter, the Princess Zeineb Hanoum, with Ibrahim Pasha, seem, by account given of them in the *Turquie*, to have been of a most brilliant description. The *fetes* commenced on Sunday, the 21st ult., when the Princess was conducted from the palace of the Viceroy to that of her grandmother, his Highness's mother. Her departure was announced by salvoes of artillery, and for three days following the festivities were carried on. The invitations to the *fetes* were in accordance with the rank of each guest. The ulemas, or members of the priesthood, received a special mark of honor by being invited on the first day.

The next day was devoted to the entertainment of the consuls-generals and of the higher functionaries of the State, civil and military. Thirdly and lastly came the religious heads of the Christian communities and the vice-consuls, the Governors of Cairo and Alexandria, and the principal bankers and merchants of those cities. After the banquet was a magnificent display of fireworks, and on the third evening a ceremony of a different character took place in the apartments of the *harem'lik*, where a number of European ladies and other notables were received by the Viceroy. The Princess, however remained in a private room with the Princess-mother and aunt of the Khedive until after dinner, when she received her lady guests in another apartment, where were displayed the costly marriage presents sent by the Sultan. The room was profusely and richly decorated, a carpet of the rarest furs covered the floor, and the walls and ceiling were hung with fabrics of inestimable value. Elevated in the middle of the room were three thrones covered with fine silk tissue with gold embroidery. On one of these the Princess, resplendent with jewels, took a seat, her mother and grand aunt seating themselves the one on the right hand, the other on the left. To them now advanced their Highnesses the maternal grandmother of the Princess, the mother of Ibrahim Pasha, and the wives of the Khedive; as they entered the room they opened bags, from which, in conformity with an ancient custom, they took handfuls of gold, which they flung on the heads of the festive assemblage.

On the following day the bride was conducted with great pomp to the palace of her distinguished husband. In the van of the marriage procession rode the Prefect of Police on an Arab charger, richly caparisoned, accompanied by a brilliant suite of officers. Following these marched a detachment of cavalry and foot soldiers. Then came the ulemas and imams chanting invocations for the happiness of the princely couple. The equipages of the ladies belonging to the household of the Khedive and of Prince Ibrahim brought up the rear, followed and flanked by a body of cavasses. The carriage which contained the Princess-Bride, was drawn by six horses. The streets were lined with troops, the forts thundered out the salutes, and vast multitudes thronged together to witness the procession, which was in every way a grand success.

Theories and Facts About Volcanoes and Earthquakes.

The theory of scientists is, that the earth's interior is a molton mass, exceedingly hot, and that the surface is a thin crust. These *savans* tell us that it is reasonable to suppose that the earth, "in the beginning," was in a heated liquid state, and that, after the lapse of many thousands of years, only a crust has cooled; that the cooling process has long since stopped; and that volcanoes communicate with central fires. These are only theories wanting in proof to establish them as facts.

If the earth was originally in a state of liquefaction from heat, and has cooled *some*, why may it not cool *more*, and still keep on cooling till the central fires become entirely extinct? If its diurnal motion, caused it to slightly flatten at the poles while in an incandescent state, what hindered it from assuming the form of an immense wheel on the same principle? If the crust or solid part of the earthe is so exceedingly thin, and the interior on which it rests a sea of liquid fire, why is there not a great ground-swell twice a day on the principle of the rising of the tide? When the earth gets sick of heat, and spews off its malady through the crater of a volcano, why does it not in the reaction suck in a corresponding quantity of water, when the volcano is in the sea? What causes the fires in the centre of the earth to get too hot, if neither air nor water can get to them? If they are not getting cooler, how do they get hotter? If water does fall in, why is not steam enough generated to rend the earth into a thousand fragments?

Because there are volcanic eruptions, and because of the aggregation of heat as the earth's surface is penetrated, geologists, *persaltum*, reach the central fires with their theories, but the load of absurdities they carry prevents them from demonstrating the truth. May not the increase of heat that is found when sinking artesian wells, be accounted for by a simple law of philosophy? Is not heat produced by compression of the atmosphere?

We are also told that the immense quantity of granite, the base of all other formations of the earth's crust, is the cooled form of central matter which was upheaved when the cooling progress was going on. If this is so, why is granite still forming out of sediment of aqueous solution? A practical chemist can manufacture granite, for its component parts are well-known.

But where do volcanoes have their origin, if not from central fires? Is it not in what is call the earth's crust? Yes; just as far down as air and water percolate, and no farther. Down there, Nature has a chemical laboratory, and is constantly producing, changing and destroying. The various mineral substances coming in contact with water and air, generate gases, whose surplus in passing off, causes a rumbling noise, and a shaking and trembling of the earth. This cause has been of sufficient force to build chains of Mountains like the Alps, and to upheave continents, once the bed and play-place of the waves of the sea, without the aid of a central world of fire. Nature frequently applies a torch to the combustible matter in the great under-ground workshop and a volcano is the result. Perhaps it soon blows out, leaving a vast cavern to be filled forever by water. But it may continue to burn as long as there is combustible matter to feed it; or smoulder on for years, while Nature is replenishing her magazine with fire-food, which is at last hurled into the chasm. The hungry flames begin to feed, the earth trembles and quakes, a smothered rumbling is heard, the mountain's cap is lifted and the flames shoot a thousand yards toward the sky.

A little more than three-fourths of the earth's surface is covered with water. This is an immense quantity. Let one be a thousand miles from land, contemplating the vast expanse of waters, and he almost forgets there is anything but the "limitless wave." He feels like he is standing on a blank leaf of the universe. Now, where was all this water, when the earth was a molton mass?

But there are Volcanoes that produce no lavas. This is the case in Peru and Java. They vomit vast torrents of mud, as in 1698, when 2,000 square miles were covered. A village, near Rio-Bamba, in 1797, was buried under a mass of black mud. Sometimes the muddy water that is thrown out, is filled with small fishes, such as are found in the neighboring lakes. But many more proofs might be brought forth against the theory of a central world of fire.

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Presence of Mind in the Face of Death. How a Young Lady Saved Her Life.

A short distance th is side of Union, on the Union and Titusville Railroad, there is a very long and high tressel, and one upon which no one ventures who is at all inclined to be light-headed. Immediately this side of the tressel there is a sharp curve in the road, so that a person walking on it cannot be seen by the engineer of an approaching train until it is nearly upon him.

On Friday last, as Mr. Wm. Toles, engineer of Mr. Holmes' train, came, around the curve at a good rate of speed, he was horrified to discover a lady about the middle of the trestle, and hardly a train's length from him. Quick as thought although his hair was making frantic efforts to lift his hat off, Billy whistled down brakes and threw back the reversing lever, while at the same time he knew that it was an utter impossiblity to check the heavy train before the victim would be overtaken, and crushed to death, and with fixed eyes he awaited the catastrophe.

The lady heard the warning whistle, and turning her head saw the iron monster almost upon her. Escape seemed almost impossible; to remain was certain death; to jump on the ground beneath, a distance of thirty or forty feet, equally certain death; and to attempt to run ahead and escape was out of the question.

Unlike ten thousand young ladies—and she is said to be young and fair—out of ten thousand and one, she did not scream, or faint or indulge in any nonsense of any kind, but realizing the situation in an instant, and taking the chances all in, she proceeded to an action which saved her life in a manner that would have been an honor to the coolness and presence of an old campaigner or a life-long frontiersman.

About thirty inches below the ends of the ties, and immediately under the stringer which supports them there is a joist five inches wide running from one support of the trestle to another, and to this the clear-headed girl resorted for safety. Stepping to the end of the ties, she swung herself down to this narrow thread with all the apparent ease of a gymnast, and, with her arms clasped around it, as the train thundered by, almost over her.

As soon as the engineer saw her action, he threw off his brakes and putting on steam hurried past as soon as possible, when she nimbly sprang to the track again and pursued her way as though nothing had happened.—*Titusville Herald.*

A Fifteen Hours' Walk for Life.

A young man named George Falk, of Baltimore, swallowed, as he stated, three ounces of laudanum and five grains of morphia, in order to end his life. There was but one way of saving him, and that was to keep him in motion. After relieving him as far as possible, his physician ordered that he be walked until he was out of danger. At half-past 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon he was put upon his tramp for life, and was forced to walk in the open air as rapidly as he could. His father kept by him for a long time, and a friend or a policeman assisted. After some hours the father gave out, and finally officers and friends grew tired. At last officers had to be taken from their beats and made to do duty in saving the life of the would-be suicide. When the walk commenced it was with great difficulty that he could be kept going, and so great was his stupor that at times he would almost fall like a stick. Frequently it was necessary to catch him and move him on. He reeled at times like a drunken man, and then again he would revive considerably. The dreary monotonous walk was kept up without intermission until half-past six o'clock the next morning, when the physician consented that he should be allowed to take rest. The life of the young man was saved, but the struggle for freedom from the effects of the drugs was a severe one. To have stopped three minutes would have been fatal.

Two millions dollars have been given in charity in New York this winter. The number of the poor who were relieved with a portion of the sum must have been very large; yet it has been almost impossible for those who tried to get a cook, nurse or housemaid to go to the country, and very difficult to get any one to go out to service in the city. As long as the soup house stood by them they stood by the soup houses. They are supposed to be more humbugs and "dead beats," and "bummers" in New York now than would be sufficient to start a good sized Western city.

Money is the fool's wisdom, the knave's reputation, the poor man's desire, the covetous man's ambition, and the idol of all.

Purses will hold pennies as well as pounds.

The Backward Season.

There is an announcement from Harvard College that the first quarter of April, 1874, was the coldest first quarter of April that has occurred for fifty years. The season has been unusually backward, and even stormy. North of Baltimore, in the lake region, snow and sleet storms are reported. At Buffalo, N. Y., the lake is still blockaded by heavy clear ice, stretching as far as the eye can reach. At Albany, N. Y., on Saturday there was more than half a foot of snow on the ground, as there was also in various parts of New Hampshire. The untimely weather is said to be felt as far down as the Carolinas.

The most rational theory which we have seen as explanatory of the lowering of the temperature in mid April, is that which attributes it to the influence of icebergs. The eastern side of the American continent is much colder in winter and spring than it is in the same degrees of latitude on the shores of California and Oregon. Some scientific men attribute the rigors of our spring to the influence of these immense masses of ice, sometimes more than two thousand feet thick, and in numbers almost endless, passing down our coast to melt away in warmer seas. The mild winter which has just ended seems to have caused in December and January the movement among the glaciers of Greenland which they usually experience in March and April. Since the close of February crowds of them have been moving down by the outer shores of Newfoundland. The ocean steamships have been entangled among them. Their usual time is May and June, often throughout June. It is an uncommon thing to meet with them so early in the season. How long their movement will continue is a question of great practical interest to navigators. If they keep on during April and May, and the theory of their effect upon the temperature is correct, which we are not quite prepared to admit, we are likely to have a cloudy and unpleasant spring. There is often a great contrast in the climates of opposite shores on the same line of latitude, but it would be hard to prove that it is all due to icebergs.—*Baltimore Sun.*

A Good Deed Rewarded.

We find the following in a Jacksonville, Florida, paper, of a recent date:

More than twenty years ago Major Waldo A. Blossom, who is now in Jacksonville, was a resident of Washington. While there, chance cast in his way a young man named Larimer, in whom he became deeply interested. Larimer had been led astray by the influence of wicked associations, and was utterly dissolute and dissipated—to all appearances, a moral and physical wreck.

It is more than probable that Major Blossom discovered redeeming qualities in the young man, notwithstanding the depth to which dissipation had brought him, for the good Samaritan rescued him from the gutter, gave him a pleasant home, and assisted him by the aid of counsel and fine social influences to make himself a new man. After his reformation was effected, the young man returned to his parents, who resided in Colorado, and for a number of years his genereus benefactor heard nothing of him.

In December of last year Mr. Blossom's attention was called to an advertisement in a Boston paper, over the signature of "Larimer," inquiring the address of W. A. Blossom. He responded to the inquiry, and soon received a letter from the parents of his former protege, in Castello county, Colorado, informing him that their son in dying, had willed his property to him, in gratitude for the kind deeds of years agone. The letter, which feelingly alluded to this act, gave the sequel of the reformed man's life. He applied himself vigorously to business after his return to Colorado, became an honorable and useful member of society, and in a few years amassed a large fortune, all of which, valued at $1,000,000, will fall into the possession of Major Blossom next June.

No act of genuine charity is ever lost. Somewhere in the conservatory of good deeds, the plant will put forth its blossoms and shed its perfume, perhaps in the balm and brilliancy of the eternal morning, perhaps in the subdued light and murky atmosphere of the mortal life.

The Romance of a Restaurant.

A Chicago correspondent of the Troy *Times* says:

A bit of romance recently came to my notice which has not before appeared in print. Some time in December last, a girl about 17 years of age, who at that time was serving as table waiter in a large dining restaurant was arrested for stealing a package of money from the pocket of a gentleman's overcoat, which was hanging in the room while he was eating dinner. At the preliminary examination a party swore to having seen her take the coat down and hang it up quickly again; that she soon left the room for a short time, and, as the money was not to be found she was held for trial. In vain she protested that she merely moved the coat to avoid its getting soiled, in vain with tearful eyes she offered to be searched. The circumstances were suspicious, and the officers inexorable.

In the meantime the gentlemen who had lost the money became interested in her history, found she was an orphan girl, and though comparatively friendless bearing an excellent character. Further than this, he ascertained she was of English parentage, that her name was the same as his own, and, to make the story short, from evidence which he could not disbelieve, that she was the daughter of his own brother whom he supposed to have died childless in Australia several years ago. Of course he declined prosecuting her, and, as he is wealthy and without near kin, he at once arranged to take her home with him, on his return from the West, whither he was then en route. The other day he, with his newly adopted child so strangely brought to him, started for New York, whence they will soon sail for England.

The prayer of the selfish man is, "Forgive us our debts," while he makes everybody who owes him pay the utmost farthing.

Something of a Romance.

During the late war six of the Federal prisoners confined in the Salisbury prison made their escape together, and coming over in this direction, reached the home of a certain person who lives about twelve miles from Charlotte, a man of well known Union sentiments. This man, whom we shall call A, took them into his house, cared for them and treated them with the utmost kindness, keeping them well concealed and providing for all their wants. The escaped prisoners stayed with him for about a month, and finally began to think of an attempt to get back into their own lines.

With this determination three of them started off in one direction and the other three in another. One party went by way of Hickory Nut Gap, in the hope of getting into Brownlow's dominions. This hope, however, was destined to be blasted, for before they could reach the Tennessee line they were captured by a party of Confederates and carried back to Salisbury, where they were confined again. The three who had taken a different route had better luck and got safely over the Federal lines.

Among the three who were captured was one whom we shall designate as B. He suffered the pangs of imprisonment until the close of the war, and, shortly after its ending he became interested in a sugar plantation in Louisiana. At this he succeeded well. His business was remunerative and he acquired some wealth.

On Sunday morning he arrived in Charlotte, on the way to his home in Pittsburg, Pa. While here he inquired for his old friend and protector, and found that he was still living at the place where B had first met him. So great was his gratitude to A that he felt that he could never pass by without going to see him, and notwithstanding the terribly rainy condition of the roads, he hired a horse and started out for A's house. Arriving there he found that A was in Charlotte, and coming back he hunted and inquired around until he found him. The meeting was a most cordial one, and B's gratitude was poured out in burning words, to the man who had so kindly harbored and provided for him at a time when he feared seriously for the consequences, if it should be known. A took his benefactor to a clothing store and fitted him out in a new suit of clothes entire, and gave him a suit for his son. In addition to this he wined him and dined him, and seemed to think he could never do enough for him.

At the time for B to leave on Monday evening, the parting was most affectionate. He breathed words of eternal friendship and gratitude to A, and both wept when the time came for the separation.

All of the affair was of quite a romantic nature, and the conduct of the two men toward each other was noticed with considerable interest by several persons who had been made acquainted with the relations existing between them.—*Charlotte Observer.*

Japanese Dwellings.

The streets of Yokohama are wide and straight. Each house is built of wood without an atom of paint, and is a real toy-house, genuine Liliputian Swiss chalet, built with a taste, a nicety, and neatness which are admirable. The Japanese are wonderful workers in wood, and it is a pleasure to see the roofs, so light and yet so strong, supported by walls which are made like side-scenes in a theatre, of thin stripes of wood, over which are pasted sheets of cottony, transparent paper. In the evenings, when the lanterns dispense their soft light round the inside of these white buildings the spectator seems to be looking at a magic lantern. During daytime the sides of the houses are slipped out, as side-scenes are, and the house becomes only a roof resting on the four light corner posts, the whole interior being thus opened to the air. Every part of the house is exposed to view, and everything done in it can be seen, while behind it appear the charming verdure, the cascades, and the diminutive plantations of the little gardens situated in the rear.

OUR ELDER BROTHERS.—Mr. Darwin's "Missing Link" has at length been found, to judge from an account of dwarfish human beings, said to resemble a race of monkeys, which is given by the Siam *Weekly Advertiser*: "On the Island of Borneo has been found a certain race of wild creatures, of which kindred varieties have been discovered on the Phillippine Islands, Terra del Fuego, and in South America. They walk, usually, almost erect, on two legs, and in that attitude measure about four feet in height. They construct no habitations, form no families, scarcely associate together, sleep in caves, feed on snakes and vermin, on ants, eggs, and on each other. They cannot be tamed or forced to any labor, and are hunted and shot among the trees like the great gorilla, of which they are a stunted copy. When captured alive one finds with surprise that their uncouth jubbering sounds are like articulate language. They turn up a human face to gaze at their captors, and females show instincts of modesty; in fine, these wretched beings are men and women."

MONUMENT TO MR. SEWARD.—The Seward Memorial Committee have contracted with Randolph Rogers for the statute of the late William H. Seward, which is to be erected in the Central Park of New York city. It is to cost, including transportation, $25,000. By the spring of 1874 it will probably be unveiled. Late advices from Rome state that the mould has been successfully completed. The figure is sixteen feet high, and as a work of art it is expected to bear favorable comparison with any other statue in New York.

THE SOUTHERN SIDE, OR ANDERSONVILLE PRISON.—This is the title of a work soon to be issued by Dr. Randolph Stevenson, late Medical Director of the Prison Hospitals at Andersonville. Its object is, by means of documentary evidence, to show how false have been the charges of cruelty made against the management of the Andersonville Prison. The work promises to be a valuable contribution to truth, and as such should be welcome to the public of whatever section.

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Forsyth County Convention.

The Conservative party of this County will meet in Convention for the purpose of appointing delegates to Congressional and Judicial Conventions, in Winston, on Saturday, May 16th,—being Saturday of the first week of Court.

CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.—The Conservatives of the 8th Judicial District will hold a Convention on Tuesday the 19th of May next, at the court-house in Winston, to select candidates for Judge and Solicitor of this District.

The Conservatives of Stokes have called a Convention to appoint delegates to the Judicial and Congressional Conventions and nominate County Candidates, to meet May 4th.

Speaking at the Court-House.

We have been requested to state that THOMAS R. PURNELL, the Republican candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction, will address the people of Forsyth, at Winston, on Tuesday, May 12th (the first week of Court).

COL. S. D. POOL.—The Conservative-Democratic Executive Committee of this State, in session in Raleigh last week nominated Col. S. D. POOL for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction.

THE FLOODS.—The suffering from the overflow of the Mississippi and other streams South, is appalling. In many sections, cattle are on the point of starvation, and persons are suffering for want of the necessaries of life.

Portions of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia have been visited with unusual freshets, and the high water has done a great deal of damage to plantations.

The following will give the reader an idea of affairs in some sections:

MONROE, LA.—The water is higher than ever known before. The town is an island two and a half miles long by half mile wide, from which there is no exit except by boats or swimming. From the crossing of the Railroad and Desard street back, is one wide sea. Boats come and go from Oakley's. People living in the rear have been driven in. Fully one thousand people have not rations for three days nor money to buy with. Stock of every description gathered in town are starving. On Desard Island almost all the plantations are under water.

Contributions from many places are being forwarded to alleviate the distress of the sufferers. Congress appropriated $90,000 to purchase rations for the distressed people suffering from the overflow of the lower Mississippi. Boston has contributed near $33,000.

Dates of April 28, represent 300 families of Baton Rouge Parish homeless from the flood.

THE CURRENCY BILL.—The President has vetoed the finance bill, not countenancing the argument that there was an unequal distribution of the national currency, considering the fact that four millions of such currency still remained in the Treasury, subject to the demand of the sections requiring it. He adds: The fact cannot be concealed that the bill increases the paper circulation of the country one hundred million dollars. The theory, in his belief, is a departure from the true principles of finance, and its approval would be a departure from every message sent by him to Congress.

A caucus of the friends of the Senate finance bill met at the rooms of Senator Morton on the night of the 22nd inst., and remained in session till after midnight. Present, Senators Morton, Carpenter, Logan, West, Harvey, Dugalls, Pratt, Pease, Terry, of Michigan, and Oglesby. The temper of the meeting indicated a purpose to make a straight out issue with the President and debate the subject with extreme pertinency.

The Northern papers generally approve of the veto.

THE PRESS ASSOCIATION.—We are under obligations to Col. Thomas M. Holt and A. G. Moore, Esq., proprietors of Granite Factory & Haw River Flouring Mills, for an invitation to be present on the 14th of May, the occasion of the Press Excursion, and witness the operation of their mills and cotton factory.

ECLECTIC MAGAZINE.—The *Eclectic* for May is on our desk and contains an admirable portrait of Chief-Justice Waite. The editorial sketch of his life which accompanies this portrait is much the best that has yet appeared, and it is derived from an authentic and responsible source, its value to the public is correspondingly enhanced.

The contents of the number are of the customary variety and interest, embracing Universities: Actual and Ideal, by Prof. Huxley; Dr. Johnson's Writings; Explorations of a Naturalist; One Flight; The Prince Printer of Italy; An Elephant Kraal; John Stuart Mill; On Coal and Coal Plants, Feng Shui. The Mysogynist; Alexander Dumas, Fils; and additional chapters of the very striking story, Far from the Madding Crowd. The editorial departments are full of current information on Literature, Science, Art, etc.

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THE ARKANSAS WAR.—At latest dates there was no material change. The Baxterites have a sixty-four pounder siege gun planted at the corner of Markham and Scott streets. Both parties are expecting reinforcements. Both telegraphed to the President regarding the situation.

BALD MOUNTAIN.—Although it was thought Bald and Stone mountains had quieted down, it now appears that the disturbances still exist. There were heavy reports and severe shocks experienced during the past week, it is stated, almost daily.

Advertisers will please hand in their favors as early as possible, at least Monday or Tuesday mornings.

Conservative Convention in Yadkin.

A meeting of a portion of the citizens of Yadkin county was held at Yadkinville on Monday, the 6th day of April, 1874.

On motion of Dr. C. H. Wilson, J. G. Marler was called to the chair and M. I. Vestal was requested to act as secretary.

The chairman explained the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of appointing Delegates to the convention which is to be held on Tuesday of the week of Forsyth Superior court, at Winston, to nominate a candidate for the office of Judge, and also Solicitor in this the 8th Judicial District.

On motion of Dr. Leroy Hampton a committee—one from each Township—was appointed to recommend delegates from the several Townships. The following gentlemen were named as said committee:—S. T. Speer, Calvin Hanes, Leroy Hampton, Daniel Long, H. C. Wilson, Willis Dickson. J. H. Myers, and A. Cornelius. After consultation the committee reported as follows:

BOONVILLE.—C. W. Williams, T. W. Reece, F. A. Robertson, A. C. Woodruff.

KNOBS.—R. W. Woodruff, E. D. Swaim, Moses Chappel, G. A. Bryant, J. D. Holcomb.

BUCK-SHOAL.—J. M. Burgess, A. H. Cooper, J. F. Salmons, Alfred Mathis, Jo. Sparks.

DEEP CREEK.—T. C. Hauser, J. E. Gough, A. C. Cowles, J. B. Holcomb, J. A. Hampton.

LIBERTY.—W. L. Jarvis, A. H. Thomason, Wm. Murphy, B. G. Colvered, J. A. Stephenson.

FORBUSH.—Thos. Brubaker, W. W. Long, J. T. Conrad, J. C. Conrad W. R. Williams.

LITTLE YADKIN.—N. G. Hunt, B. F. Jones, M. D. Howard, Jo. Williams, Gabriel Black Jr.

EAST BEND.—A. Horn, Reps Martin, J. H. Jenkins, A. C. Baker and J. H. Poindexter.

FALL CREEK.—Henry Snow, J. L. Blackwell, A. Turner, W. B. Hollyfield, G. D. Hobson.

John A Stephenson offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted, to wit:

Resolved, That while we will support the nominee of the conservatives for Solicitor, whoever he may be, JOSEPH DOBSON is our decided preference for that position.

On motion it is agreed that any citizen of Yadkin (who is a conservative or Democrat,) who may attend the convention at Winston, shall be considered a Delegate to act in place of any regular appointed delegate who may be absent.

On motion the proceedings of this meeting are ordered to be sent to the Winston *Sentinel* and Salem *Press* for publication.

Resolutions and Plans of Organization of the Democratic Conservative Party.

The following are the resolutions with the plan of organization adopted by the Executive Committee of the Democratic Conservative party, at Raleigh on the 16th inst:

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the people of the West in their want of railroad facilities, and pledge ourselves to use every available means to secure the early completion of their projected lines.

Resolved, That the Republican party having despoiled the State of millions of dollars heretofore appropriated for railroad purposes, is unworthy of confidence, and that experience justifies the conclusion that if that party should be again entrusted with the administration of our internal improvements, its leaders would again prove recreant to the sacred trust, and would divert the public fund to their private purposes.

Resolvad, That a wise policy dictates the adoption of such measures as may be necessary to increase the educational advantages of the children in North Carolina.

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend to the members of the Democratic Conservative party to discourage independent candidates and all other disorganizers, and that all support be promptly withdrawn from every aspirant for office who shall oppose the regular nominees of our conventions.

Resolved, That we tender to the friends of free government our sincere congratulations at the triumph of the great principles of the Constitution as illustrated by the Democratic successes in the recent State and local elections.

PLAN OF ORGANIZATION.

The following plan of organization of the Democratic Conservative party was adopted:

1. The Executive Committee for the State shall consist as at present appointed, and shall have all the powers heretofore conferred upon it.

2. The Executive Committee for the Congressional and Judicial Districts shall continue as at present constituted, until regularly changed, and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the party in their respective districts.

3. In each county there shall be an Executive Committee composed of a Central Committee of not less than three members, and of at least one Committee-man from each township. This Committee shall, under direction of the County Codvention, have entire control of county matters. It shall be their duty to see that all the details of the canvass are properly conducted; that the polls are attended by competent challengers; that each Conservative casts his ballot and that no fraud is perpetrated at the election. They are particularly enjoined to take the necessary steps for the efficient organization of townships, and to seek by a wise administration to promote harmony and to inspire cofidence.

4. All Executive Committees are properly chosen by the Conventions held for the respective territorial divisions; but if for any cause there should be a failure by the proper Convention to appoint an Executive Committee then the State Executive Committee may make up the deficiency.

Nominations for County officers and members of the General Assembly shall be made by County Conventions; for Town and Township officers, by town and township conventions; for members of Congress and Judicial officers by the District Coventions.

6. All Conventions shall be open, and due notice of time and place of convening the same shall be given.

The resignation of Col. Walter Clark, as a member of the Executive Committee, on account of his removal from Halifax, was read and accepted, and Dr. H. E. T. Manning, of Weldon, was appointed to fill the vacancy, after which the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Committee adjourn to meet again, in this city, on the 10th day of June next, and that all the members be requested to attend. W. R. COX, Chairman.
J. J. LITCHFORD, Secretary.

SNOW.—In the North on Sunday, there was a severe wind and rain storm, followed by a heavy snow storm on Monday. At Buffalo, N. Y., snow fell to the depth of 15 inches.

The *Tribune* collects the testimony of wholesale merchants in New York to the effect that spring trade is very slack and nerveless. The highest estimate puts it at twenty-five per cent. below that of last year. Buyers send very small orders and collections are light and difficult.

Joseph Mayo, late State Treasurer, was admitted into the Lunatic Asylum at Staunton, last Wednesday. He is to remain there until his mind is restored, and then be returned to Richmond for trial, on the charges against him.

The corner-stone of the Confederate monument will be laid with appropriate and imposing Masonic ceremonies, in Sumpter, S. C., Gen. Kershaw delivering the address, on the 6th prox.

The announcement of the completion of a chain of telegraph and life-saving stations along the Atlantic coast, from Norfolk, Va., to Cape Hatteras, this State has been announced.

According to the report of the Michigan Railroad Commissioners, that State is one of the foremost in the country in the number and value of its railroads, in proportion to its population.

STATE ITEMS.

The North Carolina delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, which assembles in Jefferson, Texas, May 7th, are: R. H. March and J. A. Stradley, of Oxford; J. B. Richardson, of Greensboro; W. M. Wingate and F. H. Ivey, of Wake Forest; A. F. Redd and T. H. Pritchard, of Raleigh; Haynes Lennon, of Robeson county; W. H. Avera, of Selma, and John Kerr, of Yanceyville. Most of these delegates or their representatives will attend.

Says the Rockingham *Spirit of the South*: A fearful tornado visited the lower end of Richmond county and the upper part of Marlboro county, S. C., a few days ago. A number of houses were blown down, but no one was killed that we have heard of. The width of the storm was from a hundred yards to three-quarters of a mile, leaving nothing standing in its track, wringing off and uprooting the largest pine trees.

We learn from Greensboro that in the case of Hiram Sibley and Henry Clews against the Western North Carolina Railroad Company, pending in the U. S. Circuit Court, at that place, Judge Dick has signed a decree ordering the railroad rolling stock, franchises, &c., to be sold at public auction on forty days notice to satisfy a mortgage for $1,200,000. Thos. B. Keogh of Greensboro, Thomas Ruffin of Hillsboro, Marcus Erwin of Asheville, and B. S. Gaither of Morganton, were appointed by the court as commissioners to make the sale.

The Raleigh *Crescent* says: Since the death of Ex-Gov. Clark, there are only four men living who have held the office of Governor of North Carolina. These gentlemen are William A. Graham of Hillsboro, David S. Reed of Wentworth, Zebulon B. Vance of Charlotte, and W. W. Holden of Raleigh. Of these, Gov. Graham, with his brow full of honors, still practices his profession of the law, although near unto his seventieth year. There is no man living in the State who has held the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, except the present incumbent, Richard M. Pearson. There are only two living, outside the present incumbents, who have served as Supreme Court Judges. These are Hon. Wm. H. Battle of Raleigh, and Hon. M. E. Manly of Newbern. There are only four men living who filled the office of Attorney General prior to the war. These four are B. F. Moore of Wake, William Eaton of Warren, Matt W. Ransom of Northampton, and J. B. Batchelor of Wake.

The Madison *Enterprise* says: Mr. Richard Gentry, near this place, on Monday, had two tobacco barns burned containing five thousand pounds, almost his entire crop. Mr. Gentry had made his fires in his barns (which were but a short distance apart) to dry his tobacco. It is supposed to have caught from a spark.

The Salisbury *Watchman* says: Capt. J. W. Roark has shown us some rich specimens of gold quartz, taken from the new mine lately discovered on or near Dunn's Mountain, about three miles from that city. It is estimated that this quartz will yield $20 to the bushel.—Messrs. Roark and Crowell are preparing to thoroughly develop the mine.

The Raleigh *News* says: Colonel Holt, the President of the State Agricultural Society, has appointed the following gentlemen to represent the Society in the National Agricultural Congress, which assembles in Atlanta on the 20th day of May:

From the State at Large—Col. Wm. Johnston, of Charlotte, and J. W. Stanton, of Wilson.

From the Congressional Districts.—Messrs. Wm. R. Myers, of Charlotte; T. L. Clingman, of Asheville; Henry Nutt, of New Hanover; David Carter, of Beaufort; George Allen, of Newbern; Kemp P. Battle, of Wake; R. P. Richardson, of Rockingham; and R. L. Patterson, of Forsyth.

The Salisbury *Watchman* says: Miles Stokes, the colored man from Gold Hill, had his trial on the charge of burglary and attempted rape before our Superior Court last Tuesday and was acquitted. He was remanded to jail, however, on the charge of resisting an officer at the time of his arrest for the above named offences.

There are about one hundred and thirty five lodges of Good Templars in North Carolina.

The Baltimore *Sun* contains the following notice of the death of a charming lady and one of rare accomplishments, the daughter of one of North Carolina's most distinguished citizens: "Mrs. Eliza G. Graham, about 47 years of age, consort of the late George William Graham, and daughter of the late Judge William Gaston, of North Carolina, died of pneumonia at her residence near the village of Upper Marlboro, Prince George county, on Monday evening last. Mrs. Graham was well and widely known for benevolence and charity, and her death will be generally lamented and especially felt by the community in which she lived. Her funeral took place at Upper Marlboro yesterday morning, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, where mass was celebrated, Archbishop Bayley and others from this city being in attendance.

The Newbern *Times* says: We regret to learn that from some forty acres planted in peas by Mr. W. B. Colburn, on his truck farm near Morehead City, he will not be able to pick a bushel. The last heavy frost completely destroyed everything of the kind standing, and the loss in this way on Mr. Colburn's farm alone he estimates at $3,000.

GENERAL NEWS.

THE RESULT.—The results of the woman's temperance crusade in Ohio, that have been obtained so far show that in fifty-five places where the crusaders have been at work, three hundred and thirty-six drinking places have ceased the sale of liquor, and over 15,000 persons have signed total abstinence pledges. In the same cities and towns 559 drinking places are still open, but in nearly every case their business has been greatly reduced, if not destroyed. In the Indiana towns heard from, 9 saloons and 9 drug stores have ceased to sell liquor, and 1,283 persons have signed the pledge. In the aggregate 254 saloons and 100 drug stores have been closed as to the sale of liquor, and the pledge has received 16,000 signatures. It is estimated that towns not reporting will increase the number of liquor stores closed to 450, and the number of signatures to the pledge to 20,000.

COTTON DECLINING. The Baltimore *Gazette* says: "The market for coffee, under advises of a sharp decline at Rio, has through the week been dull, weak and nominal, and prices have declined heavily, the current figures to-day being 2 to 2¼ cents below those of last week, and they show a decline of 6 cents gold per pound from the highest point, but even at the decline the market is nominal, there being no disposition to buy."

The notorious James Brothers have murdered another detective in Missouri, Their last victim's name is not known. His corpse was found on Friday, at Elkhorn, Ray county, Mo. On the coat of the dead man was pinned a blood-crossed card, on which was inscribed: "This shall be the fate of all detectives who come to hunt the James Brothers." (Signed) "Jesse James," "Frank James." A handkerchief found in the murdered man's pocket was marked "P. R. Cole."

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD.—A settlement was completed lately between the Northern Pacific Railroad company and the estate of Messrs. Jay Cooke & Co., whereby the advances made by the latter to the former are discharged by the acceptance of the company's first mortgage bonds and other securities. This settlement leaves the railroad company with only a nominal floating debt to be provided for.

A complete change has taken place this year in the political complexion of the towns in New York. Compared with 1874 the result is as follows: 1873, Republican majority of towns, 72; 1874, Democratic majority of towns, 92; Democratic gain over 1873, 164. This looks encouraging for the future.

Washington correspondents intimate that Congress will not be able to get through with its business so as to adjourn before the middle of July. There are nine appropriation bills yet to be considered.

Fighting a Wolf.

Mr. George Godfrey, a young man who resides at Guerryton, Ala., started out alone early Wednesday morning on a hunting expedition in the direction of Hurtville. He had not proceeded far in a swamp on Col. Cachet's plantation before he discovered a large wolf making towards him with fearful rapidity. He fired his gun at the animal at the distance of twenty paces, but missed his aim. He fired the second barrel when the wolf was in ten steps of him. This took effect in the animal's shoulder, but without much effect, as the gun was loaded with small squirrel shot.

The wolf undaunted sprang on his victim with all the ferocity natural to such a beast when in a ravenous state. Mr. Godfrey used his gun with all the dexterity and skill of a brave man. The wolf in his first leap seized Mr. G. by the left arm, burying his teeth deep into his left jaw. Mr. G. sprang to the right, tearing away the hold of the animal, and nearly severing an artery. He nearly felled the beast to the ground, but before he could strike a second time the wolf was on him, forcing Mr. G., who from loss of blood was quite weak and greatly exhausted, to the ground, lacerating his arms, breast and face with frightful gashes.

Mr. G. made a desperate effort and regained his feet, and inflicted another blow on the animal, which so stunned it that the monster withdrew sullenly from the contest.

Mr. G. nearly exhausted, managed to make his way back to the railroad, where he secured assistance which enabled him to return home.

Dr. Reynolds, who dressed the wounds, pronounced none of them dangerous, except one near the heart, which is supposed to have been caused in the last encounter. The condition of Mr. G. is very critical, but hopes are entertained of his speedy recovery. He is a young man and a useful member of society.

Several young men and experienced Florida hunters have gone in pursuit of the wolf, and expect to come up with it on one of the plantations of Col. Gachet.—*Columbus Enquirer.*

The queerest object in nature is a Spanish beggar, for these beggars beg on horseback, and it is an odd thing to see a man riding up to a poor foot passenger and asking alms. A gentleman in Walparaiso, being accosted by one of these mounted beggars, replied, "Why, sir, you come to beg of me, who have to go on foot, while you ride on horseback!" "Very true, sir," said the beggar, "and I have the more need to beg, as I have to support my horse as well as myself."

The wife of Antonio Scott, of Jersey City, was stopped by her husband last Friday, as she was on the point of eloping to Europe with one Anthony Costody. Mrs. Scott returned home repentant, and Costody sailed in the steamer with $700 and a gold watch, which the lady had confided to his care.

The will of Mr. George Merritt, late of the town of Irvington, N. Y., has been filed in the Surrogate's office at White Plains. His personal estate, consisting of money, bonds, mortgages, and stocks, reaches $2,379,529, while his real estate is estimated at $5,000,000. Of his personal estate, Mr. Merritt leaves his wife $275,000 in cash, in lieu of dowry, and all the horses, carriages, stock, and household effects worth $1,000,000. The sum of $100,000 is left to charitable institutions, and the balance of his fortune goes to his children and grand children.

The largest sale of land has probably ever taken place in the West (40,000 acres) has just been made by the Atchinson, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad Company to the leaders of Menonite Colony, by which 14,000 acres near Halstead, Harvey county, Kansas, have actually been purchased, and 26,000 more are engaged to be taken during the coming season. This great tract, it is understood, is one of several which the pioneers of the German-Russian-like sect are locating for their 40,000 brethren in Russia, who, it is alleged, will find their way hither as soon as the way is prepared for them.

THE LOUISANA CANE CROP.—The New Orleans *Picayune* says: "The appearance of the cane lands along the coast was never more encouraging or cheering than at present. Both the cane and stubble have a remarkably healthy and vigorous appearance, and should no serious mishap occur, there is a prospect of a large crop of sugar this season. The very mild winter has left the seed cane in a better condition than it has been since the war. It is to be hoped that our sugar planters will be consoled for the many misfortunes of the past season by a brilliant result of the present.

There are 2,233 soldiers in the Department of the Gulf, and 2,192 in the Department of the South. The House Military Committee lately inquired of Inspector General Baird:—"Is there any military necessity at present for the presence of troops in that region?" to which he truthfully answered; "There is none that I am aware of. I think the troops are kept there rather from political considerations." He was next asked what duty is required of the troops. He replied promptly: "I think simply to stay in their quarters until they are called upon by the civil authorities by direction of the President or somebody else to do something or other."

The Charlotte *Observer* says: The Receiver, Major William A Smith, vulgarly spoken of as "Blow Your Horn Billy," has realized a fat job out of the Western North Carolina Railroad, as receiver. He has been receiver just one year. A report of his operations was submitted to Judge Dick at the present term of the Federal Court at Statesville, upon which, we learn, he was allowed 7½ per cent. commission—5 per cent. on all incomes and 2 per cent. on expenditures—amounting to probably $9,000 or more.

In Mount Vernon, Ohio, the women have now got things reduced to a system. Instead of being at the trouble to go around in the mud to pray and sing, they just put up a sentry box in front of each saloon, and station a lady in it to take down the name and note the condition of every man who enters or leaves it.

The North Carolina Medical Society meets in Charlotte on the 19th of May.—The Examining Board will also meet at the same time and place.

The Executive Committee of the State Educational Association have decided to hold the annual Convention of this Association in Raleigh on the 8th of July next.

A correspondent of the Boston *Journal* writes that a new church for Mr. Beecher has been definitely decided on. It is to cost $400,000, and will seat 6,000 people.

The Pennsylvania Democrats are paving the way for a Republican victory in the State election next Fall by quarrelling among themselves.

On Tuesday night, 21st inst., Haxall's large flouring mills in Richmond, Va., were totally destroyed by fire. Loss half million, including machinery, flour and grain.

Nellie Grant's affianced husband is in Green Bay, Wisconsin, looking after his land interests. He has an income of sixty thousand dollars per annum.

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Marcellus B. Stearns, who became Governor of Florida, by the death of Governor Hart, is a native of Maine, and left College during the war to go South as a private in a regiment from that State.

Mr. J. T. Clarke, the richest man in Australia, died last January, aged seventy-three years. He owned one hundred thousand acres of land, and was worth between $10,000,000 and $15,000,000.

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In this county, on Tuesday, the 21st inst., by John M. Stafford, Esq., Mr. WILLIAM SNIDER to Miss LUCY SWAIM.

On Thursday, the 23rd inst., by Rev. W. W. Albea, Rev. JOSEPH MILLER to Mrs. MARIA THOMAS.

In Kernersville, on the 23rd inst., by Rev. C. L. Rights, Mr. F. M. MORRIS to Miss MARY A. KERNER.

DIED,

At Bethlehem, Pa., on the 20th inst., Miss ADDIE M. HERMAN, daughter of the late Rt. Rev. John G. Herman, in the 45th year of her age.

At his residence, in Liberty, on the 23rd inst., Mr. JOSEPH WILLIAM BONER, in the 76th year of his age.

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J. E. MICKEY has just returned from the Northern cities, where he bought a large lot of SHOES, HATS, CLOTHING, MATERIAL for CARRIAGES and HARNESS, HARDWARE, STOVES and TIN-WARE. 16

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DAVIDSON COUNTY:—In the Superior Court.

Sarah Hill, Widow, &c., Plaintiff.
Against
Jesse Hill, John Hill, Volentine Hill F. A. Pickle and wife Elizabeth, Jackson Hill, T. S. Spaugh and wife Sarah Frank. Hanes and wife Catharine William Hill Jr., Eli Hill, Martin Hill and Reuben Hill by their Guardian, Wm. Everhard, heirs at law of Wm. Hill, sr'd, Defendants. } Summons.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA }
To the Sheriff of Davidson County—Greeting: }

You are hereby commanded to summon Jesse Hill, John Hill, Volantine Hill, F. A. Pickle and wife Elizabeth, T. S. Spaugh and wife Saran, Frank Hanes and wife Catharine William Hill, Jr., Eli Hill, and William Everhard, Guardian of Martin Hill and Keelen Hill. the defendants above named, if to be found in your county, to be and appear before the Clerk of our Superior Court, for Davidson County, at the Court House in Lexington, within twenty days from the service of the summons, exclusive of the day of service, and answer the petition which will be deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, within ten days, and let the said defendants take notice that if they fail to answer the said petition within the time prescribad by law, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the petition.

Hereof fail not, and of this summons make due return

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, this 17th day of April 1874.

L. E. JOHNSON,
Clerk of the Superior Court and Probate Judge.

In the above case it appearing by affidavit to the satisfaction of the court, that William Hill, Jr., and Eli Hill, defendants, above named, are non-residents of this state, and are proper parties in the above entitled cause: It is ordered that the summons in this case be published once a week for six successive weeks in the *People's Press*, a newspapar published in Salem, in the 8th Judicial District, in lieu of personal service of said summons.

Done at office, in Lexington, this 21st day of April, 1874. L. E. JOHNSON,
Probate Judge, and C. S. C.

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REAL ESTATE
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Salem, N. C., April 30, 1874. 18-tf

THE MARKETS.

Corrected by R. A. Wommack & Co., Dealer in General Merchandise.

Corn, (old)	75 a 80	Salt	1 80 a 1 90
Wheat,	1 65 a 1 75	" American,	0 00
Flour,	7 25 a 8 75	Candles ada.	20 a 25
Meal,	2 a 2	Oils, Linseed,	0.00 a 1.25
Chop,	1¾ a 2	" Kerosene,	25 a 40
Bacon,	12½ a 15	Sheetings, Fries' B.	10
Pork,	7 00 a 8.00	" " A	10½
Lard,	11 a 12	Yarn, Fries,	1 35 a 0 00
Eggs,	10 a 12½	Iron,	5½ a 6
Molasses,	28 a 40	Nails,	6½ a 7
Cheese Fac,	18 a 25	Calf Skins, green,	15 cts.
" Mount.	15 a 00	Tallow,	8 a 10
Butter,	00 a 25	Beeswax,	28 a 30
Peas,	75 a 00	Clover Seed,	7 50 a 8 00
Apples, green,	1.00 a 1.50	Home grown,	0.00 a 0.00
dried,	5 a 10	Barrels Flour,	Fruit 50
Potatoes, sw.	75 a 00	Brick,	6.00 a 10.00
" irish,	100 a 125	Shingles,	
Coffee,	00 a 30	Long leaf pine,	4.50 a 5.5
Sugar,	8 a 15	Hay, per cwt.	50 a 60½
" crushed,	15 a 18	Eggs,	24 a 30
Dried peel., peach.,	10 a 21	Butter Beans,	10

New York, April 28.—Cotton, 17¼ a 17½; Flour, $5 90 to $6 30; Corn, 87 a 88; Wheat $1 60 a $1 78; Gold, $000 a $113⅞.

Charlotte, April 28.—Bacon 10 a 12½; Flour, $4 25 a $4 40; Corn, 85 a 00; Oats, 60 a 65; Wheat, $1 60 a $1 65; Whisky, $0 00 a 0 00; Peas, 80 a 90; Lard, 11 a 12½.

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Spring Greeting,

1874.

We call the attention of customers and the public generally to our new and very elegant

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lately purchased in the Northern Cities at greatly reduced prices, and now

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We have special inducements to offer in many kinds of goods, and Farmers and Mechanics, their wives and daughters, can be supplied with every needful article, at lower prices than they have paid since the war.

Our Stock is very complete, embracing many new and useful articles.

We shall continue our endeavors to win custom, and we tender to all our friends grateful thanks for numerous favors.

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Salem, N. C., April 28, 1874.—13.

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POND'S EXTRACT CURES
Neuralgia, Piles, Headache,
Diarrhœa, Boils, Soreness,
Lameness, Burns, Sprains,
Toothache, Scalds, Wounds,
Sore Throat, Ulcers, Bruises,
Rheumatism, Hemorrhages, ETC.
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For Bargains go to Pfohl & Stockton's Salem and Winston.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Post Office Directory.

Salem, N. C., Post Office Arrangement.—Office hours from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m. during the week, and on Sunday from 7 to 8 a. m.

TIME OF ARRIVAL AND CLOSING THE MAILS

Railroad, from Greensboro to Salem, closes every day, except Sundays, at 9.30, a. m.; due every day, except Monday, by 3.25, a. m.

Mount . iry mail, *via* Old Town, Bethania, Little Yadkin, Tom's Creek and Flat Shoals: closes Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 8½, a. m.; due, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, by 12.30, p. m.

Madison mail, *via* Sedge Garden, Germanton and Walnut Cove, due, Monday, Wednesday and Friday by 3, p. m.; Closes, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 8 a. m.

Jerusalem mail, *via* Friedberg, Miller's Mill, Elbaville and Fulton: closes every Friday at 7, a. m.; due, every Saturday, by 7, p. m.

Jonesville mail, *via* Mt. Tabor, Vienna, Red Plains and East Bend: due every Friday, by 7, p. m.; closes every Saturday, at 6, a. m.

Walkertown mail, *via* Salem Chapel, White Road, Belew's Creek Mills and Blakely: closes every Friday, at 4, p. m.; due, every Saturday, by 7, p. m.

Panther Creek mail, *via* Lewisville: closes every Saturday, at 7, a. m.; due, by 8, p. m.

H. W. SHORE, P. M.

WANTED!

400 CORDS OF TAN BARK.

Salem, N. C., Mar. 23. J. W. FRIES.

LECTURE.—Hon. W. C. Kerr, State Geologist, will lecture in the Chapel of Salem Female Academy, on Friday evening, May 1st. The friends of the Reading Club are respectfully invited to attend.

HEAVY RAINS AND FRESHET.—The recent heavy rains caused Muddy Creek to rise to a considerable height, inflicting much damage to farms. Middlefork and other streams were high.

The dam at Wharton's mill, near Clemmonsville, was badly injured, causing considerable delay for repairs, &c. The Yadkin river was also past crossing on Saturday and Sunday.

The frequent and heavy rains had rendered the roads almost impassable in many places.—Indeed it has been some years since we have seen the public highways in such a bad condition. The mail carrier to Mt. Airy and Wytheville, Va., was water-bound on Saturday last, and did not arrive until Sunday morning.

From all quarters of the country we hear of damages by floods.

But little corn has been planted, and our farmers are very much behind hand in their work.

The wheat crop looks finely, but needs sunshine.

So far, the fruit crop promises to be better than expected, and we hope the season is so far advanced as to secure it from further injury by frost.

TWO TRAINS DAILY (EXCEPT SUNDAY) ON THE N. W. N. C. RAILROAD.—On and after the 1st of May, two passenger trains will be run daily, (Sunday excepted) between Salem and Greensboro, as follows:

Leave Salem at 8 o'clock, A. M., to make close connection with the New York Express, *via* Richmond.

At 10 o'clock, P. M., connecting with mail trains, North, *via* Richmond and Goldsboro and South *via* Charlotte.

Leaving Greensboro at 4.05, P. M., after arrival of New Orleans Express from Richmond.

And at 1.30, A. M., after arrival of Mail trains from Richmond, Goldsboro and Charlotte.

A few days since, a wandering minstrel from "Vaderland," greeted our citizens with notes not melodious. He could hardly be called "A fine old Deutschen Shentleman," but he knew the meaning of "schnapps," and no doubt could imbibe very freely.

THE TRAINS were delayed on Saturday and Sunday mornings by heavy slides in the deep cuts on the Railroad between Greensboro and this place. On Sunday morning the train did not arrive till 5 o'clock.

CARELESSNESS in running hand cars on the Railroad track on Sundays is becoming by far too frequent. On Sunday last a party of negroes came up from Kernersville, and on returning in the evening, accidently struck a young lady with a pole used for pushing the car, throwing her down, causing painful bruises. This matter should be looked into.

RAILROAD EXCURSION TO COMPANY'S SHOPS AND BACK, ON SATURDAY, MAY 16th.—The above excursion promises to be a pleasant trip of about 100 miles, being fifty miles to the Shops.

A train of ten comfortable passenger cars will leave the depot at 8 o'clock, A. M., and return at 6 P. M., giving the excursionists about three hours at destination.

The Salem Cornet Band will entertain the passengers with choice music.

The scholars of Salem Sunday School will also join in the ride. We hope the weather will be favorable, and everything pass off pleasantly.

HAWK AND CHICKEN FIGHT.—We learn that, recently, a hawk intruded on the poultry yard of Mr. Alexander Transu, of Pfafftown, this county, to the surprise and consternation of a good old hen, which, however, lost no time, but valiantly defended her brood of chickens assisted by some guineas, and finally overcame the enemy, exhausting him so much, that he was easily despatched by Miss Ellen, who came to the rescue.

ACCIDENT.—We learn that, a few weeks since, an accident happened to Mr. A. E. Conrad's ferry, on the Yadkin River, which, fortunately, resulted in no serious loss. The mules hitched to a wagon loaded with grain, backed off the boat into the river, causing considerable alarm for the safety of the team and load of grain; but all came up right, finally, with the loss of only one sack of grain, the mules swimming ashore.

SCRIBNER for May is a charming number.—The illustrations in the paper on the Great South are peculiarly beautiful and interesting, giving the reader a fair idea of the mountain regions of Tennessee and Northern Georgia Every department is full of interest, and each number vies with its predecessor in excellence and beauty. $4 a year.

ST. NICHOLAS is the very thing for little folks, full of good pictures, and well told stories adapted to juvenile minds.

OLIVER OPTIC for May, comes with its usual cargo of good things for boys and girls. The articles in this magazine are always entertaining, and can be read with lively interest from beginning to end. Even older heads can look over its pages with interest.

☞ Julius W. Wright, Esq., has taken charge of the editorial department of the Statesville *Intelligencer*.

STOKES COUNTY.—The Danbury *Reporter* says there is a disease among stock hogs in that section which has killed a great many of them. The dogs too, are dying of some disease, thought to be hydrophobia. The dogs can be spared, but bacon is more of an object.

DIED.—Alexander King, Esq., died on the 12th inst., of paralysis. He was a well known citizen on the base of the Sauratown mountains.

H. B. CARROL, Esq., is an independent candidate for the House of Representatives.

The following are the returns of the election held in Stokes county on the 9th inst., to levy a tax of $6,000 for the support of free schools:

	FOR LEVY.	AGAINST LEVY.
Spainhour's,	00	68
Jackson's,	00	24
Pearce's,	2	48
Francisco,	1	73
Sands	00	74
A. C. Alley's,	00	109
Mitchell's,	8	8
Walnut Cove,	1	38
Germanton,	00	25
Wilson's Store,	00	36
Danbury,	5	59
	10	554

Every body who buys a genuine Wire Clothes Line is highly pleased with it, as the following testimony fully shows:

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From the number of names signed to the above, we select the following:

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Salem, N. C., April 16, 1874. 16-tf.

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April 9, 1874.–15-12m.

$25 REWARD!

STOLEN from the subscriber's stable, on the night of the 27th March, a medium sized black horse, roan rump, hind feet white with one swollen ankle, and 16 or 16 years old.

The above reward will be paid for the recovery of the horse.

It is believed that the thief has taken the horse in the direction of Silver Hill, Davidson county, and perhaps into Randolph.

A. E. CONRAD.
Vienna P. O., Forsyth County, N. C.

April 2, 1874.–14-tf.

The horse is supposed to have been run into Patrick County, Virginia.

Any information thankfully received by A, Fogle, Esq., Salem. N. C.

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Salem, N. C., March 19th, 1874. 12-tf

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CONDENSED TIME TABLE.
In effect on and after Sunday, Feb. 22d, 1873.

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	ACCOMO.
Leave Charlotte,	7.00 P. M.	8.35 A. M.
" Air-line Junction,	7.28 "	8.55 "
" Salisbury,	10.09 "	10.47 "
" Greensboro,	2.15 "	1.15 P. M.
" Danville,	5.28 "	3.27 "
" Burkville,	11.40 A. M.	8.06 "
Arrive Richmond,	2.32 P. M.	11.02 "

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	ACCOMP.
Leave Richmond,	1.48 P. M.	5.03 A. M.
" Burkville,	5.48 "	8.28 "
" Danville,	9.52 "	1. 03 P. M.
" Greensboro,	1.16 A. M.	4.00 "
" Salisbury,	3.56 "	6.33 "
Arrive Charlotte,	6.43 "	9.00 "

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

STATIONS.	MAIL.		MAIL.
Leave Greensboro,	2.00 A. M.	Arrive	12.30 A. M.
" Comp'y Shops,	3.55 "	Leaves	11.05 "
" Raleigh,	8.30 A. M.	"	6.49 "
Arrive Goldsboro,	11.40 "	"	3.00 P. M.

NORTH-WESTERN N. C. R. W.—SALEM BRANCH.

Leave Greensboro, - - -	1.30, A. M.
Arrive at Salem, - - -	3.25, A. M.
Leave Salem - - -	10.30, A. M.
Arrive at Greensboro, - - -	12.00, M.

Passenger train leaving Raleigh at 7.40 P. M. connects at Greensboro with the Northern bound train; making the quickest time to all northern cities. Price of Tickets same as via other routes.

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Mail trains daily, both ways, over entire length of roads. Accommodation daily between Danville and Richmond (Sundays excepted.)

On Sundays Lynchburg Accommodation leave Richmond at 9.42 a. m., arrive at Burkeville 12.39, p. m., leave Burkeville 4.35. a. m., arrive at Richmond, 7.58. a. m.

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J. A. LINEBACK, *Agent.*

Salem, N. C. March 5, 1874.–10

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Ladies' Misses' & Children's Shoes,

SALEM, N. C.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having entered into a copartnership, under the title of H. C. RICH & Co., for the manufacture of Ladies' Misses' and Children's Shoes, respectfully invite all their old customers and the public generally, to give them a call.

Our shoes can be found on sale at Mrs. DOUTHIT'S MILLINERY STORE, on Main Street, next door to W. T. Vogler's Jewelry Store.

We use the best stock, and will try and do good, honest work. Repairing neatly done.

H. C. RICH. G. A. RICH

Feb. 1. 1874. 6-tf.

Culver Brothers FARMER COOK STOVE.

STATESVILLE, N. C, Oct. 23, 1873.

Messrs. Culver Brothers:—It is with pleasure that we commend your 'Farmer's Cooking Stove' to the general public. They are an absolute household necessity at this time, especially when so much of domestic duty and management depends more or less upon our wives and daughters. The stove is as simple and beautiful in construction as it is rapid and reliable in its work. In a word, it is as near perfect as it can be.

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Hosea Drum,	L C Rankin	E Hedwig,
P. ———	G H Brown	George Niblock,
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Col. T. A Watts	Rob't Moore,	J W Cook
O. A Woods,	Dr O P Huston	D S Miller
Mrs Mar. Woods	Tobias Goodman	F A Feimster
Peter Milligan,	L. Templeton	T F McCreary
T. T. Deaton,	J F Holland	John Setzer
Cristy Clark,	Milton Grayham	T S Shelton,
A A Holshowser,	Dr. E A Hall	E A Turbefill,
David Criswell,	D O Lazenbury	Jacob Troutman,
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M M. Letaker,	W. Turner & Son	S. A. Campbell,
William Dulin,	W H Blackburn,	J R Moore,
Nimrod Bailey,	Dr P C Jurney	James Clark
David Waddell,	E M Kennerly	North Ketchie,
James Knox,	Stokes McNeily,	J E McNeely,
W A Luckey	Isaac Harris,	M L McClain,
Lord & Luckey	G H Upright	Silas Bost,
J. E. Poston,	John V. Melcher	Peter Bever,
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M J Warren,	J A Sherrill,	L C Perry,
M P Abernathy	G C Rankin,	John Simpson,
J A Mills,	Levi Vanderburg	W. A. Walker.

NORTH CAROLINA—IREDELL COUNTY.

I, C. L Summers, Clerk of the Superior Court for said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing list contains the names of respectable persons of this and adjoining counties,—They are gentlemen of veracity, and their statement is entitled to full faith and credit.

C. L. SUMMERS,
C. S. C. Iredell County.

]From the Charlotte, (N. C.) Observer, Nov. 3.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Nov. 3, 1873.

Messrs. Culver Brothers:—Having purchased from you, and had in use in our families for some time past, your Farmer's Cooking Stove, we cheerfully bear testimony to its many good qualities; its economy in the use of fuel, the rapidity with which it does its work, the uniformity of its baking and cooking, and the many conveniences combined in it, all tend to make it, in our judgment, the best cooking stove in use, and as such we would recommend it to the public.

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A B Downs,	M L Cansler,	M M Wallace,
W C Graham,	J C McCatherine	W H Taylor,
J A Weaver,	J S Reed,	Tim O'Connell,
J E Griffith,	D J Harkey,	J E Brown,
W A McGinn,	R S McCloud,	J F M Ferrell,
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James L Grier,	P C Harkey,	James Puckett,
W S Wilson,	Noah Bolick,	Wm P McCloud
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S M Stafford,	David Corven,	J S Gribble,
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R W Sehorn,	D H Smith,	John C Hunter,
J S Long,	R H Abernethy,	M J Holbrooks,
Wm Taylor,	J M Strong,	S C Hager,
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W H Cashion,	Joshua Glover,	James Connell,
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

I, E. E. Osborne, Clerk of the Superior Court of said county, do hereby certify that the above named parties are citizens of said county, of good and respectable standing.

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Poetry.

THE BRICKLAYERS.

"Ho! to the top of the towering wall!"
'Tis the master mason's rallying call;—
"To the scaffolding, boys, now merrily climb;
'Tis seven o'clock by the town bell's chime!
Bring to your work good muscle and brawn;
And a keen, quick eye where the line is drawn;
Out with your saw-tempered blades of steel!
Smoother than glass from point to heel;—
Now, steady and clear, from turret and port,
Ring out your challenge: *'Mort' O mort'!'*
"Clink' clink! trowel and brick!
Music with labor and art combine;
Brick upon brick, lay them up quick:
But lay to the line, boys; lay to the line!"

Cheery as crickets all the day long,—
Lightening labor with laugh and song;—
Busy as bees upon angle and pier,—
Piling the red blocks tier upon tier;
Climbing and climbing still nearer the sun;
Prouder than kings of the work they have done!
Upward and upward the bricklayers go,
Till men are but children and pigmies below;
While the master's order falls ringing and short
To the staggering carrier: *"Mort' O mort'!*
"Clink! clink! trowel and brick!
Music with labor and art combine;—
Brick upon brick, lay them up quick;
But lay to the line, boys; lay to the line!"

Who are the peers of the best in the land—
Worthy 'neath arches of honor to stand?
They of the brick-reddened, mortar-stained palms,
With shoulders of giants and sinewy arms,
Builders of cities and builders of homes—
Propping the sky up with spires and domes;—
Writing thereon with their trowel and lime
Legends of toil for the eyes of Time!
So that the ages may read, as they run,
All that their magical might has done!
So clink! clink! trowel and brick!
Work by the master's word and sign;—
"Brick upon brick, lay them up quick!
Bnt lay to the line, boys; lay to the line!"

—*G. H. Barnes in Scribner's for May.*

Humorous.

A Friend in Need.

"Confidence," says the proverb, "is a plant of slow growth." It is, perhaps, not best to grow at all in the Australian bush, judging from the following incident from a Melbourne paper. A certain person was traveling through a lonely district, when he heard a great outcry. Thinking bushrangers were at work, he fired off his pistol to intimidate them, and presently the noise ceased and a scampering was heard. On coming to the open ground the traveler discovered a man tied to a tree. "Oh sir," cried the victim, "I am so glad you are come; I have been attacked by ruffians, and they were robbing me when they heard your pistol." "And couldn't you get loose, my friend?" asked the traveler. "No; they tied me so very tightly." "And did they rob you of everything?" "No, only my watch. They had no time to search me for my money, which I placed in my left boot." "How fortunate," observed the traveler, "was the sum considerable?" "Over a thousand, thank heaven," said the poor man. "Are you sure they are gone?" asked the other. "Oh, certain." The new comer looked around, and seeing the coast clear, said cooly, "Well, as they are gone I think I'll finish the job myself." And he proceeded to rob the unfortunate victim.

The following racy examination of candidates for admission to the bar is taken from the *Western Law Journal*. The examination commenced with:

"Do you smoke?"
"I do, sir."
"Have you a spare cigar?"
"I have, sir." [Extends a short six.]
"Now, sir, what is the first duty of a lawyer?"
"Collect fees, sir."
"Right. What is the second?"
"To increase the number of clients."
"When does the position towards clients change?"
"When making out a bill of costs."
"Explain."
"We then occupy the antagonistic position. I become the plaintiff and he becomes the defendant."
"Suit decided, how do you stand with the lawyer on the other side?"
"Cheek by jowl."
"Enough, sir. You promise to be an ornament to your profession, and I wish you success. Now, are you aware of the duty you owe me?"
"Perfectly."
"Describe it."
"It is to invite you to take a drink."
"But suppose I decline?"
Candidate scratches his head.
"There is no instance of the kind on record in the books. I cannot answer the question."
"You are right. And the confidence with which you make the assertion shows conclusively that you read the law attentively. Let's take a drink, and I will sign your certificate at once."

The Goldsboro *Messenger* says: A few weeks ago, when the liquor prohibition question was being agitated in Goldsboro, an old darkey was asked how would he vote on the matter. "Oh," he replied, "de 'publican ticket, I always vote dat ticket." "But how are you going to vote on 'prohibition?'" The old darkey looking up asked, "what's dat?" "Why, prohibition is putting down liquor," was the reply. "Lors-a-massey!" said the old uncle. "I votes for 'hibition: I votes to put down liquor to the old price, a shilling a pint." Our temperance interviewer left him.

A young lady thus describes her feelings, and courts sympathy:

My heart is sick, my heart is sad—
But oh! the cause I dare not tell—
I am not grieved, I am not glad,
I am not ill, I am not well.

I'm not myself—I'm not the same;
I am, indeed, I know not what,
I'm changed in all except in name—
Oh, when shall I be changed in that?"

A young lady of town, recently said: "Some men are always talking about patronizing their own towu—always harping on that duty—and yet they go abroad to get married, while here we stand, waiting! I do hope that some of these men who marry other women will get cheated!"

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Agricultural.

Reclaiming Old Soil.

L. T., of Winchester, Franklin county, Tennessee, in answer to A. A. W., of Ashfabula, Ohio, says:

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The best two fertilizers we have tried are the German millet and the Southern pea. We can not find any thing so wellcalculated for wheat. The pea in particular, comes up by the side of clover on good ground, and is far superior on poor ground, as the pea will grow where clover will not. I have sown a field in wheat that is equally divided between corn, German millet and peas. I cannot see much difference at this time. The prospect could not be much better, and as far as my knowledge extends, we have a beautiful prospect for an abundant harvest.

In conclusion, let me say, whatever you sow, buy and raise the largest growth possible, which you can do by sowing 100 pounds of plaster to the acre, and plow all under in its green state. You will be astonished with what rapidity your soil will be brought out.

Farming.

There is a good prospect for good farmers. "I don't know about that," said a neighbor; "if I could sell my farm I would quit the business. And if I can't sell, I mean to rent it. As things are now, it takes all I can raise to pay my hired help." "That is because wages have been too high, and because you do not raise enough per acre. Wages will be lower and prices higher; and if you will farm better you will make money." "I can't see it in that light," he replied. "My wheat crop last year did not average five bushels per acre." "It was one of the worst seasons we have had for many." "We have to many bad seasons." "Well, what are you going to do about it? It is no worse for you than for others. You should not go to sea expecting nothing but fair weather. You should prepare for storms. If you had a good crop of wheat last year, and a good crop of barley, and a good crop of potatoes, and a good crop of choice apples, you would feel rich and jollier than Vanderbilt did last October when New York stock was down to 79½, Western Union to 43½, and lake Shore to 57½, and few buyers at that. I do not say that a farmer can always be sure of good crops. I know that such is not the case. But if you would farm better—if you would drain your land, cultivate it thoroughly, kill the weeds, make more and richer mauure, you would stand a fair chance of getting good crops even in a bad season."

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